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SRI P. G. KARUTHIRUMAN :—" May I know, Sir, the cost of the boring sets? "

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" The 40 handboring sets cost us Rs. 2,80,000; 50 additional handboring sets cost us Rs. 3,75,000 and the 12 additional power drills cost us Rs. 13,10,000."

Postponement of collections under the Agriculturists Loans Act in South Arcot.

* 316 *Q.*—SRI V. T. ELAYA PILLAY: Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state whether there are any proposals before the Government to postpone collections under the Agriculturists Loans Act, to the next fasli year on account of failure of monsoon in South Arcot district?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" No such proposals are under the consideration of the Government at present."

SRI A. GOVINDASAMI NAYAGAR :—" பருவ மழை தவறி இருக்கிற காரணத்தாலும், தென்னாற்காடு ஜில்லாவில் கோரப் பஞ்சம் தலை விரித்தாடுகிற காரணத்தாலும், விவசாயக் கடன் நிவாரணம் அளிக்க வேண்டியது சர்க்கார் கடமையல்லவா."

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Sir, according to the Madras Land Improvements and Agriculturists Loans Act general rules for collections of loan instalments may be suspended, whenever suspensions of land revenue are granted on a large scale over a wide area and the Collector is aware of this fact. We are awaiting reports about that."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI:—" సౌత్ ఆర్కాట్ జిల్లాలో Land Remission గ్రాంటు చేశారు. అయినట్లయితే దానిని పూర్తిగా అమలుజరిపారా? రైతులవద్దనుంచి land revenue ను వసూలు చేయటానికి ప్రభుత్వోద్యోగులు ప్రయత్నించారా ? పంటలు పోయిన రైతులకు యీమాత్రం సహాయము చేయుటకు నిరాకరిస్తున్నారా ? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" The time for remission has not yet matured. It matures in the month of January."

SRI N. MAHALINGAM :—" Sir, in view of the famine conditions prevailing throughout the State, will the Government consider the question of declaring a moratorium in regard to loans to agriculturists in general? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" We are not thinking of moratorium or mortality just now, Sir."

SRI O. A. NANJAPPA :—" Sir, I want to put some questions relating to Salem district."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The main question relates to South Arcot district. The hon. Member may give notice of a separate question."